## **Internet Policy**

West Linn Public Library makes Internet access available as part of our mission to bring people and information together. The Internet offers access to many valuable sources of information, but not all sites are accurate, complete, or current. The Library does not monitor and has no control over the information accessed through the Internet.

There are many sites that carry information that you may think controversial or inappropriate. The Library avoids carrying materials that violate Federal and Oregon law, such as materials considered obscene or pornographic, but also makes choices that honor the traditions of free speech and inquiry. Sometimes choices in these matters are anything but clear. Therefore procedures should foster the free exchange of ideas and allow the library to operate within the law.

Users are encouraged to take advantage of the Internet and to exercise good judgment and discretion. Parents are responsible for supervision of their children's Internet sessions.

## **COMPUTER USE POLICY**

- 1. WLPL assumes no responsibility for any direct or indirect damages arising from the use of its computers and/or internet connection. WLPL is not responsible for the accuracy of information found on the internet.
- 2. It is prohibited to use WLPL computers for illegal or criminal purposes, including (but not limited to): seeking unauthorized access into networks/systems; copyright infringement; transmission of any communication where the meaning, transmission, or distribution of the message would violate any applicable law or regulation, or would be highly offensive to the recipient(s) thereof; or any other sort of malicious, damaging, or criminal use.
- 3. The Internet contains material of a controversial nature. Users are responsible for material that is accessed. Parent(s)/guardian(s) of minors, not library staff, are responsible for monitoring material accessed by minors.
- 4. Accessing child pornography on the computer is a federal crime that is punishable by a term of up to five years in prison and a fine of up to \$25,000.00. Displaying sexually explicit material on the computer may constitute a State crime when shown to, made available to, or otherwise provided to a minor.
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